

Our Lady at St. Germaine

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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 2, 2020

Thus says the Lord:
All you who are thirsty, come to the water!
You who have no money,
come, receive grain and eat;
Come, without paying and without cost,
drink wine and milk!

Isaiah 55:1

In the Gather hymnal the order of the Mass is
number 134, readings number 1031.

A Letter from the Pastor

Dear Parish Family of Our Lady at St. Germaine,

Where do you expect to find the power of God? Do you look for the presence of the Lord in the power of the wind and the forces of nature, such as earthquakes? Many a prophet from Elijah to John the Baptist, many a people, many a saint searched for God in these forces and in the extraordinary. Often, in fact, they found him in the ordinary and everyday experiences of life; often the Lord was found especially in the desert, the desert experiences of life

God makes his presence known to us through the simplest of gifts. We believe that Christ comes to us in the Eucharist through the simple elements of bread and wine which become the body and blood of Christ.

But, we are often too busy searching for the Lord in the wrong places. We look to the mysterious, the unknown, the powerfully forces of nature; when the Lord is standing right next to us or sitting right across from us. When at our best, we are images and reflections of Christ.

Let us take some time this week to discover the Lord's presence among us, always in the Eucharist, but, also in each of us. We only need to stand silently and listen and look and we will hear the Lord whispering into our ears; and we will see the Lord standing with us in our daily lives

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Rev. Thomas S. Cabala
Pastor

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MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, August 3– Weekday**

8:30 AM Mass

Ruth Madden, Nick Casaletto

Tuesday, August 4–St. John Vianney

8:30 AM Mass

Hazel Manion, Lawrence Swiech, Laurel Walker,
James Glynn**Wednesday, August 5– Weekday**

8:30 AM Mass

Jonathan Flax, Edward Stephens

Thursday, Aug 6-Transfiguration of the Lord

8:30 AM Mass

Ken Skopec, Charles Hughes(Healing)

Friday, August 7–Weekday

8:30 AM Mass

Jim, Melissa, Christopher, Anthony & Jimmy Knight

Saturday, August 8–St. Dominic

8:30AM-Family of Our Lady at St. Germaine

4:00PM– Lisa Geraghty, William Didier

Sunday, August 9–19th Sun in Ordinary Time

7:30AM-John Wegrzyn, Michelle Wegrzyn

9:30AM– George & Antoinette Czanko

11:30AM–John J. Durkin, Marge Randich(healing),
Cecilia Ebokam**REMEMBER OUR BELOVED DEAD**

Edward J. Schmit

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Virginia Bovilsky, Joe Braje, John Brdecka,
 Elaine Bridgeman, Baby Nolan Burby, Pat Cesak,
 Taylor Collard, Ann Contorno, Jericho Jeffrey DeVivo,
 Dolores Dorman, Yvonne (Wepner)Enselman, Karen Finn,
 Walter Furtner, Patsy Galecki, Giblin Family, Jan Gorman,
 Gerardo Gonzalez, Pearl Goworowski, Eileen Graff,
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 n, Sue Heda, Debbie Heitz, Cathy Hinz, Betty Hedderman,
 Kaitlyn Hedderman, Chuck Hughes, Gina Jakelski,
 Robert “Mitch” Jones, Dennis Kelsch, Garry Keller,
 Mary Kenny, Alvina Kita, Richard Kita, Frank Klutcharch ,
 Joe Kress, Donna Larney, Judith Lasky, Kim Lewis,
 LaVerne Lewandowski, Ray Lynch, Eileen Carroll Lynch,
 Martin Mahoney, Rita Martin, Eugene Martyn,
 Michael Mattaliano, Jim McNerney, Edward Mietz,
 Raimonda Miknius, Daniel Mraz, Gerald Oblazany,
 Dean Ojeda, Raul Osornio, Katherine Pape, Matt Pender,
 Maggie Powers, Colleen Ritter, Nicolas Rossio, Frank Roti,
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PRAYER TO OUR LADY, HEALTH OF THE SICK DURING THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

O Mary,

You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the Cross, united with Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of the Roman people, know what we need, and we trust that you will provide for those needs so that, as at Cana of Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us.

He who took our suffering upon Himself, and burdened Himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.

Do not despise our pleas — we who are put to the test and deliver us from every danger. O glorious and blessed Virgin.

—Pope Francis, March 11, 2020

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At this time, both pantries at St Germaine and at Our Lady of Loretto Churches are closed.

But in the meantime, we have been and will continue to help as we can. If you would like to donate non perishable food, you may drop outside of Church doors and the donations will be checked daily.

Also, if you would like to make a monetary donation or a donation of gift cards (even ones you have lying around half used), you may do so by dropping at Parish Center mail box at any time or by logging on to Give Central and selecting food baskets.

As always, if you or someone you know need help, or if you have any questions, please call 636-5060 x200.

We thank you for your support and keep you all in our prayers.



Thank you to everyone who donated gift cards and cash to help our

parish families. Every little bit helps more than you can imagine.

**Tax letters are
available
by request.**

Please call 636-5060 and we will mail out to you.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102; Mt 14:22-36

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Hb 1:12 — 2:4; Ps 9:8-13; Mt 17:14-20

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85:9-14; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Please be generous in your support of our parish ministries and services.

July 26, 2020

Sunday:	\$8,501.34
Sunday (GIVE CENTRAL):	\$1,765.00
SUNDAY TOTAL:	\$10,266.34
*AID ED(GIVE CENTRAL):	\$30.00
Aid to Education:	\$115.00
Food Pantries:	\$290.00
Assumption:	\$10.00

*GIVE CENTRAL & ACH ARE IN ADDITION TO REGULAR COLLECTION

Split The Pot Drawing

Envelope number 511 was drawn for last week's

"Split the Pot" raffle. The parishioner assigned that number did not participate in the raffle.

Last week's prize of \$ 300.00 will be added to this week's amount.



UPDATES~If you would like to update your parish record with any changes or additions, now is the perfect time. Addresses, phone, email, number of people in household would all be helpful. Please call 636-5060.

Save your checks!

Remember you can write one check for your weekly donations. Example: If you are writing a check for \$25 for weekly contribution, \$5 for the Split the Pot and \$10 for Education Fund, you can write 1 check for \$40 and include all envelopes instead of writing 3 separate checks **or** you can sign up for **GIVECENTRAL.ORG!!!**



She's back.....

Raffle has started back up.

The pot as of last week was over \$19,000.00.

Drawings will be Sundays at St. Germaine Church.

If you would like to order tickets, please fill out order form and return with payment to church, or the Parish Center.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Card number(s) _____

Thank you for your support and good luck!!

For current board, visit us on Facebook

Check out all the wonderful things the Germazing Mighty Ducks Races are doing for the students of [St. Germaine Catholic School](#). In less than two months, the races have raised enough money for...

- The teachers in 3rd through 8th grade will be coming back to all new projectors in each of their classrooms! (They are thrilled! Special thanks to the [St. Germaine Men's Club](#) for donating the projector screens!)
- We were able to purchase all the math and reading workbooks for grades K-8th!
- New fans, now required by the Archdiocese, have been purchased for every classroom!

And this is just the beginning! We are doing BIG things because of YOU! Ready to join? Click below!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2362649714034239/?ref=share>

Quack, quack. Splish, splash. Vroom, ZOOM!

don't worry— not THAT kind of zoom!



Looking for a fun distraction and a chance to win some cool prizes

Join the GERMAZING DUCKS group on Facebook! LIVE Weekly MIGHTY DUCK races will take place with the "Winning Duck" taking home gift certificates, summer fun items, and MORE!

Hope to "see" you there!

St. Germaine Family School Association

Search for the group on Facebook using this key phrase:



Germazing Mighty Ducks Races

...and while you are there don't forget to follow our page @StGermaineFSA

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Monday—Thursday 9:00am ~ 7:30pm

Friday 9:00am ~ 6:00pm

Saturday 9:00am ~ 3:00pm

Website: ourladyatstgermaine.org

OUR LADY OF LORETTO CATHOLIC CHURCH

8925 S Kostner Avenue Hometown Illinois

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WEEKDAY MASS:

Monday—Saturday: 8:30 AM Mass

WEEKEND MASSES at ST. GERMAINE:

Saturday: 4:00 PM; Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM

RECONCILIATION: St. Germaine Saturday from 2:30-3:30PM

ADORATION CHAPEL: Closed Temporarily

Welcome to Our Lady at St. Germaine Parish!

To register in the parish, or for information about any of our organizations, ministries, services, or educational opportunities, please call the Parish Center at 636-5060.

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Fr. George Velloorattil
Fr. Joseph Stobba O.S.A.
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Jack Malone
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Marianne Powers
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Kindness

and truth shall meet;

justice and peace shall kiss.

Truth shall spring out of the earth,
and justice shall look down from heaven.

Psalm 85:11-12

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Dear Parish Family of Our Lady at St. Germaine,

Each spring and summer as of late, we have seen some heavy rains. I watched as the rains came down as sheets, my weather station actually reads: "It's raining cats and dogs," the work of whoever programmed the computer chip in the weather station. My dog Jerome doesn't like heavy rain and runs straight into the doghouse. Nicholas runs all through the heavy rain, the puddles and the mud.

In today's Gospel passage, we see Christ calming Peter and the Apostles as they encounter the night time seas. And, although divine power can be manifested in dramatic ways, we normally experience God's presence in our lives in the ordinary events of daily living. God is present among us in the ordinary of life. We breathe the breath of God's life, and we are constantly touched by the God's creativity.

But, as wonderful as life can be, it can also be very frightening at times as we experience in today's Gospel passage. Our personal lives can become unraveled and we can feel that we are genuinely lost at sea, swamped by the stormy waves, and tossed about by the turbulences of life. It is at times like these that we need faith in Jesus. Even though we do not recognize him, he is there walking with us and taking us by the hand. Christ is able to dispel our fears and calm the sea.

Faith in God whether in the calm seas of life or the rough waters that we all experience will bring us safely ashore to dry ground; but, we must trust in the Lord and like St. Peter when we find ourselves sinking, let the Lord take us by the hand.

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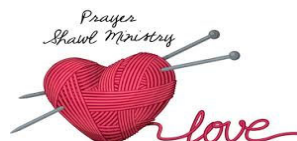


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Fr. Bruno Kowalkowski, Allison Kramer

Tuesday, August 11–St. Clare

8:30 AM Mass

Edward Stephens

Wed., August 12– St. Jane Frances DeChantal

8:30 AM Mass

Loretta Barry, Jonathon Flax

Thursday, Aug 13-Weekday

8:30 AM Mass

Lucille Finn, Mary Rohan

Friday, August 14–St. Maximillian Kolbe

8:30 AM Mass

Special Intentions

Sat, Aug 15–Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30AM-Virginia & Tim Burns, Mary Cuff, Carol O'Hare

4:00PM– Steven Martin, Martin & Cusack Families,
Lisa Geraghty**Sunday, August 16–20th Sun in Ordinary Time**7:30AM-Loretta Barry, Fr. Bruno Kowalkowski,
Janina Galica(bday blessings)

9:30AM–Otto & Kateryna Sawzak, Thanksgiving

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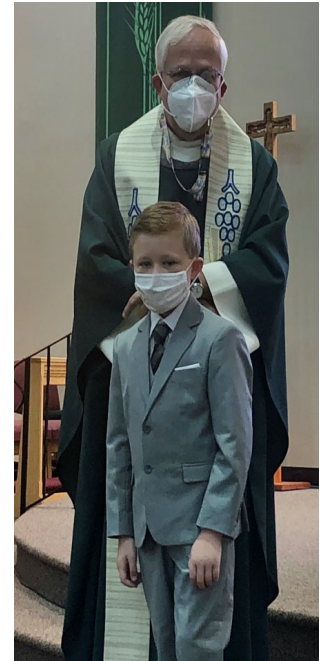
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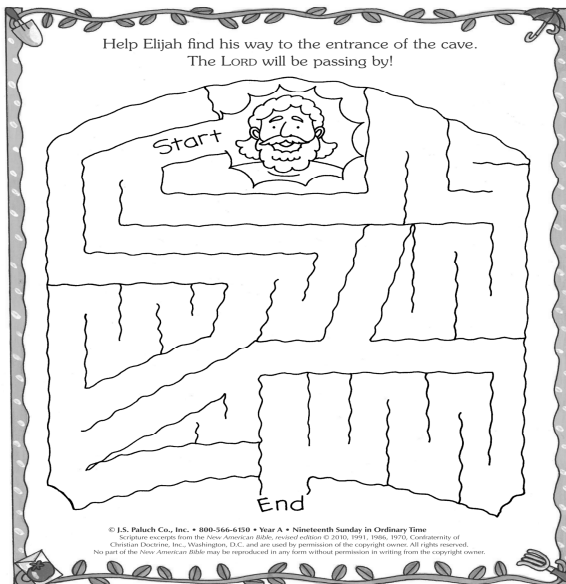
This past Sunday we celebrated our first, First Communion of 2020! Liam Cotter, mask and all, was able to come to the table of the Lord with his family for the first time. As expected, he was a bit nervous but he did a great job! Please pray for Liam and all our young children as they continue to prepare for this special event. This year in particular has been a great reminder of how important our experience of Eucharist in our own lives.



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God's Word for Children



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O Mary,

You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the Cross, united with Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of the Roman people, know what we need, and we trust that you will provide for those needs so that, as at Cana of Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us.

He who took our suffering upon Himself, and burdened Himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of Resurrection. Amen.

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Monday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26

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Thursday: Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78:56-59, 61-62; Mt 18:21 — 19:1

Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 [59-63]; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28

Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

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Monday—Saturday: 8:30 AM Mass

WEEKEND MASSES at ST. GERMAINE:

Saturday: 4:00 PM; Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM

RECONCILIATION: St. Germaine Saturday from 2:30-3:30PM

ADORATION CHAPEL: Closed Temporarily

Welcome to Our Lady at St. Germaine Parish!

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AUGUST 16, 2020

*O woman,
great is
your faith!*

MATTHEW 15:28



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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In the Gather hymnal the order of the Mass is
number 134, readings number 1037.



A Letter from the Pastor

Dear Parish Family of Our Lady at St. Germaine,

The prophet Isaiah reminds us that we cannot separate our Sunday worship from our weekly routine, actions and words. We cannot proclaim to be God's faithful people on Sunday, if we do not live just lives during the week.

If we say that we love the Lord, but are angry with our neighbors or a family member; we are not being faithful to the Lord. If we ignore the pleas for help by others, we are not being faithful to the Lord.

Christ, as always, takes the message of the prophets a step further. By his words and example of healing in today's Gospel, he proclaims that we must be willing to share our gifts, our blessings, and our food. The food we share is Christ himself. We share Christ when we live just lives, when we share our gifts, when we give of ourselves as Christ gave of himself for all of us.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Rev. Thomas S. Cabala

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ez 24:15-24; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-9; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 23:1-12

Sunday: Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

2020 Mass book is open and has plenty of availability. Please call the office at 636-5060 x200 to request a mass.

MASS VOLUNTEERS

If you would like to volunteer at weekend masses, visit:

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PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Many blessings are crocheted and knit into what we make through the prayers we say for every shawl. We have come to realize that there are endless possibilities for the use of Prayer Shawls. Whether there is a serious need or a special celebration the one common factor is that the comfort and healing power of prayer is sent with every shawl.

To request a Prayer Shawl call 636-5060 x200.



MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, August 17–Weekday**

8:30 AM Mass

Jeri Walker (70th Birthday)

Tuesday, August 18–Weekday

8:30 AM Mass

Elaine Alberts

Wed., August 19– Weekday

8:30 AM Mass

Bill Didier

Thursday, Aug 20–St. Bernard

8:30 AM Mass

Maureen Holford, Norma Rapsus, Margaret O'Hare

Friday, August 21–St. Pius X, Pope

8:30 AM Mass

The Family of Our Lady at St. Germaine

Sat, Aug 22–Queenship of Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30AM-Carol & Shirley O'Hare

4:00PM– Joseph Marmo, Lisa Geraghty

Sunday, August 23–21st Sun in Ordinary Time

7:30AM-Donna Finucane, Steven Kondis

9:30AM–Felix Konecki, Catherine Danko,

David & Maureen Atkinson, Joseph Ceh

11:30AM–John Lehman, Patrick Pedota

REMEMBER OUR BELOVED DEAD

John Kenna

Yvonne Feehery

Eileen Grady

Please pray for those who are sick, their families & caregivers, including:

Virginia Bovilsky, Joe Braje, John Brdecka, Elaine Bridgeman, Baby Nolan Burby, Pat Cesak, Taylor Collard, Ann Contorno, Jericho Jeffrey DeVivo, Dolores Dorman, Yvonne (Wepner)Enselman, Karen Finn, Walter Furtner, Patsy Galecki, Giblin Family, Jan Gorman, Gerardo Gonzalez, Pearl Goworowski, Eileen Graff, Lynn Groebe, Peg Hansen, Sherry Hardek-Cohe n, Sue Heda, Debbie Heitz, Cathy Hinz, Betty Hedderman, Kaitlyn Hedderman, Chuck Hughes, Gina Jakelski, Robert “Mitch” Jones, Dennis Kelsch, Garry Keller, Mary Kenny, Alvina Kita, Richard Kita, Frank Klutcharch , Joe Kress, Donna Larney, Judith Lasky, Kim Lewis, LaVerne Lewandowski, Ray Lynch, Eileen Carroll Lynch, Martin Mahoney, Rita Martin, Eugene Martyn, Michael Mattaliano, Jim McNerney, Edward Mietz, Raimonda Miknius, Daniel Mraz, Gerald Oblazany, Dean Ojeda, Raul Osornio, Katherine Pape, Matt Pender, Maggie Powers, Colleen Ritter, Nicolas Rossio, Frank Roti, Guadalupe Martin Ruvalcaba, Marty Safstrom, Sharon Safstrom Norma Salas, Barb Salazar, Audrey Schmitz, Mary Schwappach, Phillip Scropp, Hank Skaggs, Ellie Smith, Joe Smyth , Joseph Smyth, Kayla Smyth, Michael Stupay, Rita Daniels Suchor, Patty Tapia, Kimberly Thielen, Dorothy Trop, Mary Ann Trop, Pat Walker, Susan Zak , Gussie Zawaski

Sunday masses and the Rosary *will continue to be available* to watch from home via our website,
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RITE OF INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Just about a year ago Dan Smith called our parish inquiring about adult baptism. Dan and his sponsor met with me weekly until the pandemic hit. Dan was to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil in April. Dan experienced Lent like no other I have known. He worried about whether or not he was worthy of receiving the sacraments, he wondered if this was God's way of saying he shouldn't become Catholic and he learned to pray and trust that God's grace is opened to all. Dan will be receiving the sacraments this coming week. Please pray for him as he now believes that he is ready for the journey ahead as he will be officially initiated as a member of the Catholic Church on August 23rd.



Financial Update

Since COVID-19 hit, there have been a lot of changes to the way Our Lady at St. Germaine Parish operates. Mass has gone online to accommodate those who can't attend or do not feel safe. In person masses have had a schedule change, and only gather at the St. Germaine campus at this time. Sunday collections declined at the beginning of the pandemic but have returned to average projections.

Since the new fiscal year started July 1, 2020:

- \$28,334.00 has been mailed in

- \$34,683.00 has been collected at masses

- \$13,676.00 has been collected through Give Central

The parish carnival had to be cancelled, leaving a projected \$40,000.00 profit lost. The rectory staff has been decreased to the bare minimum, decreasing parish payroll \$66,000.00. Even with that reduction, the church projected deficit is \$33,752.00. The school projected deficit is \$121,567.00. The total parish combined deficit today is \$155,319.00.

There are still capital projects that have not been included in that number. The church roof at St. Germaine campus needs to be replaced at a cost estimate of \$185,000.00. The boiler also needs to be repaired at a cost of \$4,183.00. Property sales at both campuses are still pending and proving to be difficult.

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Rev. Thomas S. Cabala – Pastor

Amy Condon – Operations Director

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August 9, 2020

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Sunday (GIVE CENTRAL):	\$1,765.00
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Aid to Education:	\$96.00
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Assumption:	\$221.00

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Split The Pot Drawing

Envelope number **92** was drawn for last week's

"Split the Pot" raffle. The parishioner assigned that number did not participate in the raffle.

Last week's prize of **\$1,376.00** will be added to this week's amount.



Summer Mission Coop Collection

Next weekend,. August 22-23rd, we will have a second collection for the Mission Cooperation Plan. The summer Mission Cooperation Plan is an opportunity for our parish to learn about, take inspiration from, and support missionaries from around the globe. This summer, due to the pandemic, it is impossible to have an in-person visitor, so we are hearing from our mission cause in a different way. We will hold the Mission Co-op collection on August 1-2 and so on that weekend we will hear a missionary reflection from [mission cause name]. [follow this with a brief description of the cause] If you are able, place a donation to support this cause and others like it in the collection basket, or you can make a donation online at WeAreMissionary.org/give.



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FYI....

We have had quite a few “arch” emails been hacked recently and thought we would share this article with you .

Be assured WE WILL NEVER EMAIL YOU asking for any sort of money.

Worshippers targeted by gift card scam

July 29, 2019

by Colleen Tressler, Consumer Education Specialist, FTC

We’re seeing a new spin on gift card scams. This time, scammers are pretending to be a pastor, rabbi, priest, imam, or bishop. They’re asking worshippers for gift card contributions for a worthy cause. Appeals are often made by email, but we’ve heard people are also getting texts and phone calls, too.

The bogus emails often include the name of the local pastor and a legitimate looking email address. But a closer look should raise some red flags. For example, the email address isn’t the one normally used by the church, and the service provider is different, too. The message may begin with a simple “Hi,” but doesn’t include a recipient’s name. There also may be spelling errors, including the pastor’s name.

The imposter asks you to buy a popular [gift card](#) — frequently, iTunes, Google Play, or Amazon — and then asks for the gift card number and PIN on the back of the card. Those numbers let the scammer immediately get the money you loaded onto the card. And once that’s done, the scammer and your money are gone, usually without a trace.

If you or someone you know paid a scammer with a gift card, report it as soon as possible. Call the card company and tell them the gift card was used in a scam. Here is [contact information](#) for some of the gift card companies that scammers use most often. Then, tell the FTC about it at [ftc.gov/complaint](https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/complaint). Your reports may help law enforcement agencies launch investigations that could stop imposters and other fraudsters in their tracks.

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Vivien Bisonaya - Class of 1994

Vivien earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology at UofI in 2002, then completed her Masters in Social Work at Loyola in 2004. Vivien has been working as a school social worker in the Berwyn community for over 15 years. During school closures, she has continued to provide students and families with support, focusing on the impact that the pandemic has had in their lives.

"Every family has been impacted by the changes brought on by the coronavirus, but there are some families who are particularly vulnerable where these changes have been especially challenging for them. Many students that I work with are on the autism spectrum and have had a hard time understanding why schools are closed and why they can't really go anywhere right now. This has led to some major behavior issues at home, that already stressed parents are having to face. Some of our students don't have access to Internet in order to engage in online learning, while other students have parents who don't speak English and can't really help them with their schoolwork. We have students whose parents have lost their jobs and are worried about having enough food at home, students whose family members are essential workers and have gotten very sick, or kids whose grandparents who have passed away during this time. Our school district is doing the best we can to make sure our students' basic needs are being met, as well as providing emotional support to those whose families are going through especially stressful times or are grieving the loss of a loved one right now.

Thank you to all of my teachers at St. Germaine who encouraged me to speak up and rise up to meet challenges, and who laid the foundation for my education. I'm forever grateful to all of you! I also wanted to take the time to thank all teachers and essential workers who have been working so incredibly hard and helping so many. Amidst all the uncertainty and loss that people are experiencing, there are so many individuals and communities that are filling the world with hope and kindness. Whenever you have the chance to brighten someone's day or do something that might lighten someone's burden, even just a little bit, seize the moment. And when you're the recipient of someone else's kindness, pay it forward and keep the positivity going!"

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Twenty-First Sunday
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Simon Peter
said to Jesus,

**“You are the Christ,
the Son of the
living God.”**

Matthew 16:16

AUGUST
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2020

In the Gather hymnal the order of the Mass is
number 134, readings number 1040.

A Letter from the Pastor

Dear Parish Family of Our Lady at St. Germaine,

This Thursday, August 27, we celebrate the feast of St. Monica and the next day August 28; we celebrate the feast of St. Augustine, her son. Two Saints from the third century whose intercessions, inspiration, and example; we can use in today's society filled with the same issues, worries, and concerns of their time.

St. Monica's son, Augustine was a constant concern for Monica. Brilliant and likable, Augustine refused to accept baptism and lived a wild and passionate lifestyle. For years Monica prayed, fasted, and cried silently for Augustine.

God was listening. He heard and finally answered these prayers of this faithful mother. Augustine, abandoning his sinful ways, accepted baptism from St. Ambrose of Milan, on Easter Sunday, 387 AD. Augustine's mother, St. Monica, died shortly after at the age of 55, secure in the knowledge that her son had heard God's call and her work on earth was finished.

St. Monica is the patroness of troubled parents, battered wives, despondent mothers, widows, and alcoholics.

May we have the same gift of faith and confidence in the power of our prayers, and the same patience and trust in the Lord that St. Monica possessed.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Ps 96:10-13; Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18; Ps 128:1-2, 4-5; Mt 23:27-32

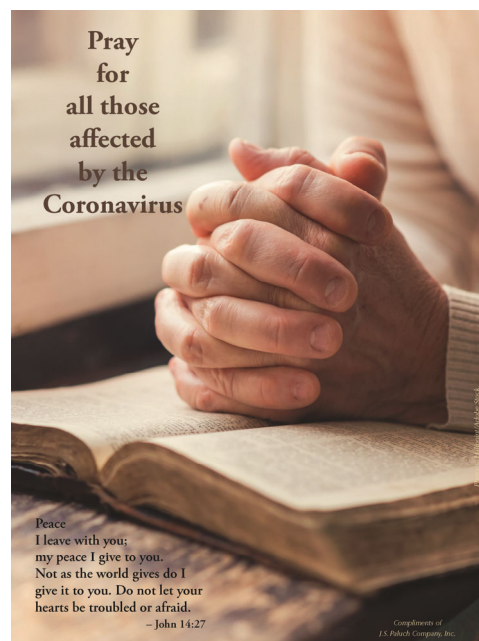
Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9; Ps 145:2-7; Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11; Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31; Ps 33:12-13, 18-21; Mk 6:17-29

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

2020 Mass book is open and has plenty of availability. Please call the office at 636-5060 x200 to request a mass.



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Many blessings are crocheted and knit into what we make through the prayers we say for every shawl. We have come to realize that there are endless possibilities for the use of Prayer Shawls. Whether there is a serious need or a special celebration the one common factor is that the comfort and healing power of prayer is sent with every shawl. To request a Prayer Shawl call 636-5060 x200.



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MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, August 24—St. Bartholomew**

8:30 AM Mass

Frank Kita, James E. Bowes, Robert F. Fitzgerald, Christopher, Anthony, Melissa, Baby George & John Knight

Tuesday, August 25—Weekday

8:30 AM Mass

Casey Lens, Robert Stevens, Laurel Walker, Hank Skaggs (97 bday)

Wed., August 26— Weekday

8:30 AM Mass

Florence Reuzek, Michael O'Hare, Amy B. (Healing)

Thursday, Aug 27—St. Monica

8:30 AM Mass

Gerald O'Hare, Flor Filomeno (90th bday), Eileen Grady

Friday, August 28—St. Augustine

8:30 AM Mass

The O'Hare Family, Rose Kowalkowski

Sat, Aug 29—Passion of St. John the Baptist

8:30AM-Meaghan Bowes

4:00PM-Lisa Geraghty, Stanley Pietrowski, Ray Cooley, Stanley & Bernice Bealles

Sunday, Aug 30—22nd Sun in Ordinary Time

7:30AM-Mary Antos (Healing)

9:30AM-Mary Ellen Sullivan, Edward J. Schmit

11:30AM-James & Evelyn McIlvain, Lawrence Gahan

REMEMBER OUR BELOVED DEAD

Bridget LaPaglia

Eileen Grady

Please pray for those who are sick, their families & caregivers, including:

Virginia Bovilsky, Joe Braje, John Brdecka, Elaine Bridgeman, Baby Nolan Burby, Pat Cesak, Taylor Collard, Ann Contorno, Jericho Jeffrey DeVivo, Dolores Dorman, Yvonne (Wepner)Enselman, Karen Finn, Walter Furtner, Patsy Galecki, Giblin Family, Jan Gorman, Gerardo Gonzalez, Pearl Goworowski, Eileen Graff, Lynn Groebe, Peg Hansen, Sherry Hardek-Cohem, Sue Heda, Debbie Heitz, Cathy Hinz, Betty Hedderman, Kaitlyn Hedderman, Chuck Hughes, Gina Jakelski, Robert "Mitch" Jones, Dennis Kelsch, Garry Keller, Mary Kenny, Alvina Kita, Richard Kita, Frank Klutcharch, Joe Kress, Donna Larney, Judith Lasky, Kim Lewis, LaVerne Lewandowski, Ray Lynch, Eileen Carroll Lynch, Martin Mahoney, Rita Martin, Eugene Martyn, Michael Mattaliano, Jim McNerney, Edward Mietz, Raimonda Miknius, Gerald Oblazany, Dean Ojeda, Raul Osornio, Katherine Pape, Matt Pender, Maggie Powers, Colleen Ritter, Nicolas Rossio, Frank Roti, Guadalupe Martin Ruvalcaba, Marty Safstrom, Sharon Safstrom Norma Salas, Barb Salazar, Audrey Schmitz, Mary Schwappach, Phillip Scropp, Hank Skaggs, Ellie Smith, Joe Smyth, Joseph Smyth, Kayla Smyth, Michael Stupay, Rita Daniels Suchor,

Sunday masses and the Rosary *will continue to be available* to watch from home via our website, www.ourladyatstgermaine.org, YouTube or on Facebook.

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RITE OF INITIATION FOR ADULTS



This weekend at the 9:30 Mass, Dan Smith will receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. One element of his initiation into the Catholic Church is that the community pray for and welcome him into the Church and our parish. Please pray for Dan and his sponsor Rob as they come forward at this mass. Dan and Rob have been attending our sessions weekly together until the pandemic hit. They were delighted to finally have come together in person for this great moment in both of their lives. This is a great celebration and they will share their insights with us next week.

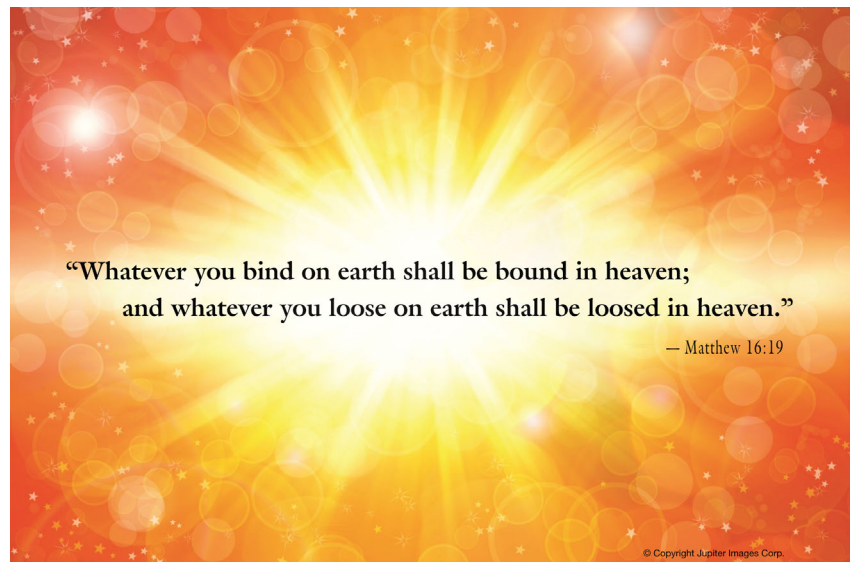
PRINTING ERROR WITH ENVELOPES

You may have noticed an extra envelope in your packet this month labeled “Good Friday.” Please realize that it should have read “Holy Land Offering.” The collection originally fell back in April, but was rescheduled to September due to the COVID virus. Please consider donating if you can. Thank you for your understanding on this envelope printing error.



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Aid to Education:	\$508.00
Holy Land:	\$10.00
Assumption:	\$631.00

*GIVE CENTRAL & ACH ARE IN ADDITION TO REGULAR COLLECTION

Split The Pot Drawing

Envelope number **1470** was drawn for last week's

"Split the Pot" raffle. The parishioner assigned that

number did not participate in the raffle. Last week's prize of

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Summer Mission Coop Collection

This weekend, August 22-23rd, we will have a second collection for the Mission Cooperation Plan. The summer Mission Cooperation Plan is an opportunity for our parish to learn about, take inspiration from, and support missionaries from around the globe. This summer, due to the pandemic, it is impossible to have an in-person visitor, so we are hearing from our mission cause in a different way. We will hold the Mission Co-op collection on August 22-23 and so on that weekend we will hear a missionary reflection from [mission cause name]. [follow this with a brief description of the cause] If you are able, place a donation to support this cause and others like it in the collection basket, or you can make a donation online at WeAreMissionary.org/give.



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You, Salvation of the Roman people, know what we need, and we trust that you will provide for those needs so that, as at Cana of Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us.

He who took our suffering upon Himself, and burdened Himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.

Do not despise our pleas — we who are put to the test and deliver us from every danger. O glorious and blessed Virgin.

At this time, both pantries at St Germaine and at Our Lady of Loretto Churches are closed.

But in the meantime, we have been and will continue to help as we can. If you would like to donate non perishable food, you may drop outside of Church doors and the donations will be checked daily.

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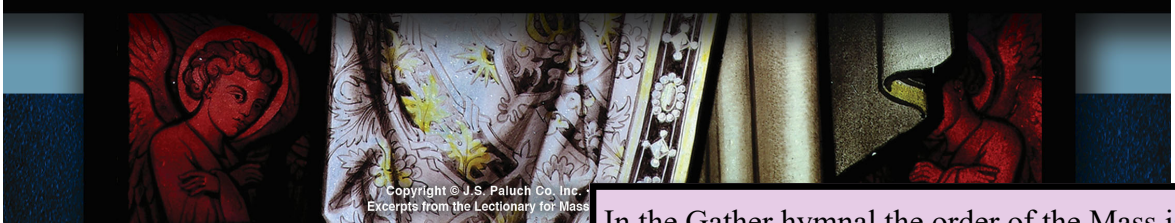


Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 30, 2020

**THE SON OF MAN WILL COME
WITH HIS ANGELS IN HIS FATHER'S GLORY,
AND THEN HE WILL REPAY ALL
ACCORDING TO THEIR CONDUCT.**

Matthew 16:27



In the Gather hymnal the order of the Mass is
number 134, readings number 1043.

A Letter from the Pastor

Dear Parish Family of Our Lady at St. Germaine,

Where do you expect to find the power of God? Do you look for the presence of the Lord in the power of the wind and the forces of nature, such as earthquakes? Elijah searched for God in these forces but, he found him in a tiny whispering. Jeremiah 20:7-9

God makes his presence known to us through the simplest of gifts. We believe that Christ comes to us in the Eucharist through the simple elements of bread and wine which become the body and blood of Christ.

But, we are often too busy searching for the Lord in the wrong places. We look to the mysterious, the unknown, the powerful forces of nature, when the Lord is standing right next to us or sitting right across from us. When at our best, we are images and reflections of Christ.

Let us take some time this week to discover the Lord's presence among us, always in the Eucharist, but also in each of us. We only need to stand silently and listen as did the prophets as Jeremiah, Elijah, as did St. Paul, the Apostles, as do the Saints. We will hear the Lord whispering into our ears, feel his presence in our hearts and see Him in the eyes of each other.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Rev. Thomas S. Cabala

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40; Lk 5:33-39
Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15; Ps 145:17-21; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday: Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

2020 Mass book is open and has plenty of availability. Please call the office at 636-5060 x200 to request a mass.

Thank you to one of our parishioners, who wished to remain anonymous, for their utmost generous donation of \$4,183.00. This will be used for the exclusive purpose to pay for the school boiler repair.

*With sincere gratitude,
Fr. Tom Cabala, Pastor
And our school children and staff*

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Many blessings are crocheted and knit into what we make through the prayers we say for every shawl. We have come to realize that there are endless possibilities for the use of Prayer Shawls. Whether there is a serious need or a special celebration the one common factor is that the comfort and healing power of prayer is sent with every shawl.

To request a Prayer Shawl call 636-5060 x200.



MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, August 31—Weekday**

8:30 AM Mass
David Joy, Robert Diver

Tuesday, September 1—Weekday

8:30 AM Mass
David Swan, Evelyn Rzepka, Virgil Ramos

Wed., September 2—Weekday

8:30 AM Mass
Big Jim Knight

Thursday, September 3—St. Gregory the Great

8:30 AM Mass
Harry R. Johnson, Eileen Demos

Friday, September 4—Weekday

8:30 AM Mass
Jim Knight, Melissa, Christopher, Anthony, & Jimmy
Knight, Therese Mierzwa, Rita & Tom Moran

Sat, September 5—St. Teresa of Calcutta

8:30AM-Phyllis, Katie & Joe Melichar
2:00PM-Wedding-Kristin Renken & Pawel Stroz
4:00PM-James, Nora, & Theresa Shea, Michael Foley,
Ralph Vanderwarren, Jean & Louis Hachaj

Sunday, September 6—23rd Sun in Ordinary Time

7:30AM—Kathy Broughton
9:30AM—Joseph Kolodzey, Edward J. Schmit, Bill Essig
11:30AM—John J. Durkin, Kate O'Malley (Healing)

REMEMBER OUR BELOVED DEAD

Eileen J. Demos

Please pray for those who are sick, their families & caregivers, including:

Virginia Bovilsky, Joe Braje, John Brdecka,
Elaine Bridgeman, Baby Nolan Burby, Pat Cesak,
Taylor Collard, Ann Contorno, Jericho Jeffrey DeVivo,
Dolores Dorman, Yvonne (Wepner)Enselman, Karen Finn,
Walter Furtner, Patsy Galecki, Giblin Family, Jan Gorman,
Gerardo Gonzalez, Pearl Goworowski, Eileen Graff,
Lynn Groebe, Peg Hansen, Sherry Hardek-Cohem,
Sue Heda, Debbie Heitz, Cathy Hinz, Betty Hedderman,
Kaitlyn Hedderman, Chuck Hughes, Gina Jakelski,
Robert "Mitch" Jones, Dennis Kelsch, Garry Keller,
Mary Kenny, Alvina Kita, Richard Kita, Frank Klutcharch ,
Joe Kress, Donna Larney, Judith Lasky, Kim Lewis,
LaVerne Lewandowski, Ray Lynch, Eileen Carroll Lynch,
Martin Mahoney, Rita Martin, Eugene Martyn,
Michael Mattaliano, Jim McNerney, Edward Mietz,
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Sunday masses and the Rosary *will continue to be available* to watch
from home via our website,
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*To make a reservation for weekend mass,
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when you call.*

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS



What an exciting day for our Parish! Dan Smith was baptized, confirmed and joined us at the table of Lord for his First Communion this past Sunday. A few words from him that describes his journey: “For the past five years I have been drowning in my own past sins in an endless sea of black. I couldn’t breathe. I couldn’t see. I felt like my cries of help were silent. Then having gone through the RCIA Process, now baptized as a Catholic. I felt the light of God’s love grasp my hand and pull me out of the shadowy waters of sin’s past. I am not drowning anymore. I am not blind. And my cries of help have been answered. Now I am ready to walk on dry land with a clean slate.” This has been an incredible journey that Dan has

walked and we as a community now have a new member! It was a beautiful mass and a few of our parishioners expressed that they were grateful to witness some of the rites that we typically experience on Holy Saturday. God’s grace continues to flow upon all of us.

If you or anyone you know has been curious about the RCIA Process and journey, please call the Parish Center at 708/636-5060. We will be happy to talk with you!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND FORMATION

HELP! This has been a very unusual and challenging year for all of us. As we attempt to embark on the new academic year, it is not without more challenges. I am on the hunt for Catechists for our Religious Education and Formation Program. You were called at your Baptism to be priest, prophet and king. These appear to be pretty lofty goals. However Jesus asks us to pray (priest), share our love of Jesus thus protecting our faith in the future (prophet) and stand firm as a leader who guides God’s people with conviction (king). This clearly defines the role of a catechist. What is added to the description this year is a willingness to adapt to technology. Many of our families and our catechists who have dedicated their time and talent with our students in the past are not comfortable returning to the classroom at this time, as a result, technology has become a new call for our program. If you feel called by God (*or Fr Tom*) in any way to help out whether with physically managing a classroom or virtually helping others manage a classroom, I would love to further explore how you can answer your “Baptismal Call” to help us continue to create disciples here at Our Lady at St Germaine parish. One of the special gifts of being a Catechist is that as we form our young disciples we too grow in our faith, *every time*! Please prayerfully consider this precious ministry.

Please contact the office at 708-636-5060 or
jlass723@gmail.com



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Please be generous in your support of our parish ministries and services.

August 23, 2020

Sunday:	\$5,925.22
Sunday (GIVE CENTRAL):	\$1,965.00
SUNDAY TOTAL:	\$7,890.22
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Split The Pot Drawing

Envelope number 1715 was drawn for last week's



"Split the Pot" raffle. The parishioner assigned that number did not participate in the raffle. Last week's prize of **\$2,280.00** will be added to this week's amount.

Catholic Charities Second Collection

Today, our second collection will support Catholic Charities and lift-up our most vulnerable neighbors across Chicagoland who are facing extraordinary challenges right now. Please offer your most generous donation to the second collection to help ease the burden of poverty, hunger, homelessness, unemployment, abuse, addiction or aging.



She's back.....

Raffle has started back up.

The pot as of last week was almost \$21,000.00.

Drawings will be Sundays at St. Germaine Church.

If you would like to order tickets, please fill out order form and return with payment to church, or the Parish Center.

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Thank you for your support and good luck!!

For current board, visit us on Facebook

PRAYER TO OUR LADY, HEALTH OF THE SICK DURING THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

O Mary,

You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the Cross, united with Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of the Roman people, know what we need, and we trust that you will provide for those needs so that, as at Cana of Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us.

He who took our suffering upon Himself, and burdened Himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.

Do not despise our pleas — we who are put to the test and deliver us from every danger. O glorious and blessed Virgin.

—Pope Francis, March 11, 2020

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At this time, both pantries at St Germaine and at Our Lady of Loretto Churches are closed.

But in the meantime, we have been and will continue to help as we can.

If you would like to donate non perishable food, you may drop outside of Church doors and the donations will be checked daily.

If you would like to make a monetary donation or a donation of gift cards (even ones you have lying around half used), you may do so by dropping at Parish Center mail box at any time or by logging on to Give Central and selecting food baskets.



As always, if you or someone you know need help, or if you have any questions, please call 636-5060 x200. We thank you for your support

UPDATES~

If you would like to update your parish record with any changes or additions, now is the perfect time. Addresses, phone, email, number of people in household would all be helpful. Please call 636-5060.

Save your checks!

Remember you can write one check for your weekly donations. Example: If you are writing a check for \$25 for weekly contribution, \$5 for the Split the Pot and \$10 for Education Fund, you can write 1 check for \$40 and include all envelopes instead of writing 3 separate checks **or you can sign up for GIVECENTRAL.ORG!!!**

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— Romans 12:2



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RECONCILIATION: St. Germaine Saturday from 2:30-3:30PM

ADORATION CHAPEL: Closed Temporarily

Welcome to Our Lady at St. Germaine Parish!

To register in the parish, or for information about any of our organizations, ministries, services, or educational opportunities, please call the Parish Center at 636-5060.

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